

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 17 of First Extraordinary Session

By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to honor Melanie Ann Gjellstad, 1999  
Valedictorian of Northwest High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Melanie Gjellstad is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as Valedictorian of the 1999 graduating class at Northwest High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Melanie has achieved extraordinary academic success and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her outstanding academic achievements, she has participated in such extracurricular activities as the Church Youth Group, Habitat for Humanity, Junior Civitan, the Key Club, the Nashville Youth Symphony, the Mainstream (show choir), and the Watershed Project; and

WHEREAS, Melanie has adroitly served as Field Commander for the Band, as President of the National Honor Society, as Class Secretary of the Student Government and as Vice-President of the Science Club; and

WHEREAS, demonstrative of her musical ability and inner drive, Melanie performed in the Nashville Youth Symphony and the Mainstream (show choir), she was also an All-County Band, All-State Band and All-State Orchestra selection; and

WHEREAS, widely recognized for her talent and ability, Melanie takes pride in her many accomplishments and academic achievements, especially in receiving the Blair School of Music Scholarship, the Clarksville Chamber of Commerce Excelling in Education-Gold Card; she has also been a three-year invitee to the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System Academic Awards Banquet and has been recognized as the Northwest Most Outstanding Music Student; and

WHEREAS, Melanie's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, her school and her community; and

WHEREAS, Melanie's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 1999 Northwest High School Valedictorian, Melanie Ann Gjellstad, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy and successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.